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AND METHOD

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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated February 13, 2001, Applicants submit:

- 1. An executed Declaration and Power of Attorney in the above identified U.S. patent application.
- 2. Applicants claim small entity status.
- 3. A copy of the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION.
- 4. Please note that Applicants have changed the attorney docket number from 1900-1 to 1931-1.

FEE COMPUTATION

Filing Fee (\$690.00/\$345.00)	\$ <u>N/A</u>
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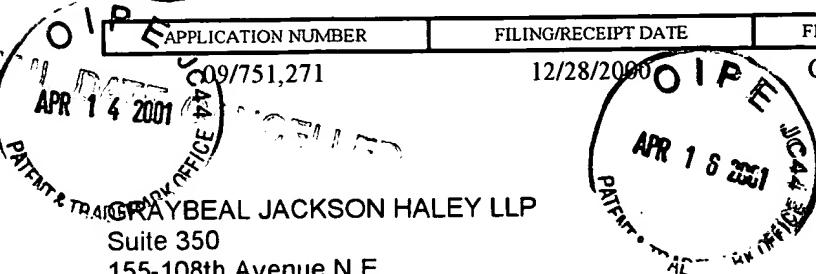
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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